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Senator Mitch McConnell will ask the General Accounting Office to assist him in getting information regarding the amount of money and human resources used by the FDA in its effort to regulate tobacco products. McConnell has repeatedly asked the FDA for the information and has been stonewalled. The FDA insists that it spent very little on the tobacco regulation. McConnell is concerned that FDA has spent too much time and money on this effort and is not focusing on its core mission. He wants the GAO information to use as Congress decides the FDA's budget for the next fiscal year. His letter is being sent the week of 1/23.